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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 9, 2003 and thus due for response on December 9, 2003, please consider the following remarks. Applicants file herewith a petition for two (2) month extension of time to and including February 9, 2004 in order to respond.